

## **Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 147**

### **RESOLUTION CHAPTER 27**

Assembly Concurrent Resolution No. 147—Relative to California Charter Schools Week.

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#### **LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST**

ACR 147, Conway. California Charter Schools Week.

This measure would proclaim May 6, 2012, to May 12, 2012, inclusive, to be California Charter Schools Week, and would state that the Legislature joins the California Charter Schools Association in congratulating charter schools for the accomplishments and contributions they have made to public education.

WHEREAS, In the 2011–12 academic year, 100 new charter schools opened their doors across the state helping to create new jobs and opportunities for educators and other professionals in California; and

WHEREAS, There are 982 charter schools operating in California, the highest number of any state in the nation; and

WHEREAS, Charter schools have a combined enrollment of over 412,000 pupils, representing 7 percent of the public school pupil population in the state; and

WHEREAS, In 1992, California was the second state in the nation to establish charter schools and 2012 is the 20th anniversary of charter schools in California; and

WHEREAS, Charter schools are public schools that increase learning opportunities for all pupils and provide parents and pupils with expanded choices within the public school system; and

WHEREAS, Many charter schools are designed specifically to serve traditionally disadvantaged children; and

WHEREAS, Charter schools create new professional opportunities for teachers, including the opportunity to be responsible for the learning program at the schoolsite; and

WHEREAS, Charter schools offer a variety of learning environments and emphases, including college-preparedness, technical education, arts, and sciences; and

WHEREAS, Charter schools play an integral role in California's public education system, the communities in which they operate, the families they serve, and the pupils' lives they impact; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, the Senate thereof concurring*, That the Legislature proclaims May 6, 2012, to May 12, 2012, inclusive, to be California Charter Schools Week, and joins the California

Charter Schools Association in congratulating charter schools for the accomplishments and contributions they have made to public education; and be it further

*Resolved*, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.